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Some rural area party organizations have only a few members and their social composition is often bad. The attitude of party members is often incorrect and sometimes nonparty peasants put party members to shame.

The December Resolution of the Central Committee shows that the reason for these unfavorable manifestations is the weakening of the party's political drive and the vague and unsystematic leadership of party authorities. Village organizations are weak because they have little contact with the party, their meetings are very irregular, and their party education insufficiently developed. The powiat committees have made a great effort toward more systematic contact with the POP (Podstawowa Organizacja Partyjna, Primary Party Organization) and the township committee. We are striving to encourage powiat committee professional party workers to work with the village committees and to participate at POP meetings. We are striving for the planned development of party organizations in conformity with the December Resolution so that they may work on a given worker, peasant, or intellectual to prepare him for party membership.

The work of many village POPs among nonparty people in Radom Powiat resulted in the acceptance of 15 persons, including 12 peasants, into the Zamosc Township party organization. Certain village POPs of this township undertook the liquidation of "white spots" in the neighboring villages of Pomiary and Antonowka.

In the region under the township committee of Paszkowice, Lowicz Powiat, 27 persons were accepted into the party during the last 4 months as a result of planned organizational work. The Wyszkowice Township Committee organized six village candidate groups during 1951 and 1952. New candidate groups and POPs also arose in the Leczyca, Radom, Piotrkow, and Brzeziny powiats.

Factory POPs in the Pabianice Cotton Factories during the last 5 months have accepted 37 persons, chiefly shockworkers, as party candidates. During this same period, the Tomaszow Rayon Factories accepted 85 persons, including 50 women, as party candidates. All these candidates are production workers and some are shockworkers.

Besides the successes, there are also many great deficiencies in our work. Many village party organizations do not take the lead in the villages because of the improper composition of their membership. The village middle class and not the poor predominates in them. Of course, we must carry on our work among the middle class, although they are few, and get them for the party, but there are still too few poor villagers in our organizations. This has an adverse effect on the attitude and drive of these organizations and on their approach to various actions and problems, including that of producers' cooperatives.

The secretary is very important in the village organization and often sets its pace, is the first to formulate an opinion, and plans the approach to a problem. The secretary of a village organization very often is an official of the township cooperative [of Peasants' Self-Help], the director of the milk collection point, etc. There are not enough peasant secretaries. There were 419 peasant secretaries of villages, or 36 percent, before the last election of party officials, but now after the elections there are 525 POP peasant secretaries in the villages, or 41.7 percent.

The township committee secretary's work is very important in determining the position of the party organization in rural areas. This is the weakest point in our party apparatus. The wojewodztwo committee and the powiat committees are not working hard enough to reduce the turnover of these officers and to raise the level of the political and organizational training of township committee secretaries. Of the 192 secretaries in Lodz Wojewodztwo, only 20 were trained in the 6-month wojewodztwo school and 50 in the 3-month courses. The remainder have had no political training.

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After the last grain-collection drive 17 industrial workers became township committee secretaries.

The township committee must encourage more teamwork. The secretary usually does most of the work alone and the other members have no duties. The party line and program to bring peasants into the socialist economy require much township committee work with the party organizations and with nonparty people. Instead, many party organizations withdraw into themselves, have a very poor organizational program, and cut themselves off from the village.

In Praszka Township, Wielun Powiat, there is a village with a party organization composed only of forestry officials, township cooperative officials, and one teacher. Recently, the only remaining nonparty forester was admitted, but a peasant who applied in person because he had no written biographical sketch was not accepted. Likewise, in Tychy village, Lodz Powiat, the village organization which was formed in 1945 has not accepted a single new member since then, although the village has several nonparty peasants who have received awards for their patriotic part in the grain-collection drive.

More attention must be paid to the political training of party members, of lecturers from the villages, and of propagandist groups. One of the deficiencies of work in rural areas is the inadequate supply of party and other newspapers. Although there is one paper for every 3.5 inhabitants of the rural areas, there are townships, such as Bedkow, Brzeziny Powiat, where there is only one paper for 20 inhabitants, or Dmochin Township in the same powiat, with only one paper for every 23 inhabitants.

Social club work is insufficient. The people's sport associations are falling behind. There are only 490 of these in Lodz Wojewodztwo, which should have three times as many.

There is still a lack of permanent and mobile cinemas. Our wojewodztwo has no theater and the Lodz theaters do not travel to the regions. The attempts of the Wojewodztwo People's Council to obtain a traveling theater have been fruitless. A traveling theater organized at its own expense rarely has its own scenery or funds and the scope of its work is thereby limited. "Artos" practically never comes to the wojewodztwo.

The state apparatus plays a great role especially now, a time of rural transformation. The state apparatus, especially in lower echelons, is still weak in Lodz Wojewodztwo. The wojewodztwo and powiat committees are striving to strengthen this apparatus. The recent mass drives conducted by the party were used to strengthen the people's councils by removing incompetents and replacing them with responsible persons.

The village bailiff holds an important position in our work. A thorough analysis of these officeholders showed that too few of the bailiffs are party members and many are not suitable for the office.

There are also some powiats so large that they would be better divided.

The foregoing remarks cover only a few things which impede the momentum of our work.

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